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In Re Application of: GARY SHAPIRO ET AL.

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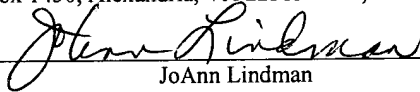


**REQUEST FOR FILING A CONTINUATION APPLICATION  
UNDER 37 CFR §1.53(b)**

Dear Sir:

**CERTIFICATE UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.10:** The undersigned hereby certifies that this paper or papers, as described herein, are being deposited in the United States Postal Service, "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" having an Express Mail mailing label number of: EV315607308US, in an envelope addressed to Mail Stop PATENT APPLICATION, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, on this 22nd day of September, 2003.

By \_\_\_\_\_

  
JoAnn Lindman

This is a request for filing a continuation application, under 37 CFR §1.53(b), of pending prior application Serial No. 09/510,816 filed on February 23, 2000, for an invention entitled INTRAVASCULAR FILTERING DEVICES AND METHODS.

1. Enclosed is a copy of the prior application, including the inventor's DECLARATION of Gary Shapiro, David Blossom and Isaac Ostrovsky, as originally filed on February 23, 2000.
2. I hereby verify that the enclosed papers are a true copy of prior application Serial No. 09/510,816 as filed on February 23, 2000, and further that this statement was made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

3. Cancel in this application original Claims 2-20 of the prior application before calculating the filing fee. At least one original independent claim has been retained for filing purposes.

4. The filing fee is calculated below:

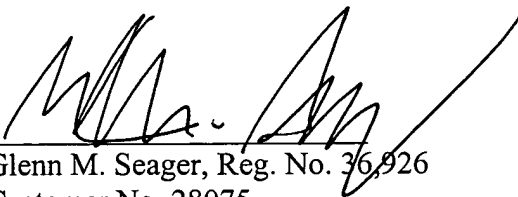
| CLAIMS AS FILED                       |                     |                     |              |       |       |       |
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| BASIC FEE                             | XXXXX               | XXXXX               | XXXXX        | \$375 | XXXXX | \$750 |
| TOTAL CLAIMS                          | 1-20=               | 0                   | X 9=         | \$    | X 18= | \$    |
| INDEPENDENT CLAIMS                    | 1- 3=               | 0                   | X 42=        | \$    | X 84= | \$    |
| () MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM PRESENTED |                     |                     | +140=        | \$    | +280= | \$    |
| TOTAL                                 |                     |                     |              | \$    | XXXXX | \$750 |

5. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Account No. 50-0413.
6. A check in the amount of \$750.00 is enclosed to cover the filing fee.
7. Amend the specification by inserting, immediately before "Field of the Invention" on page 1 thereof, the sentence --This is a continuation of copending Application Serial No. 09/510,816 filed on February 23, 2000.--
8. Please find enclosed seven (7) sheets of formal/informal drawings.
9. The power of attorney in the prior application is to CROMPTON, SEAGER & TUFTE LLC. The power appears in the papers in the prior application file, and a copy is enclosed. Address all future communications to:

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10. This patent application is assigned to SCIMED LIFE SYSTEMS, INC., pursuant to the Assignment recorded on February 23, 2000 at Reel 010630, Frame 0178.

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